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POETICAL.

TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS.

The following is very clever, but it must be borne in mind that many who write for the press— even a newspaper—are not at all careful about their spelling or punctuation, and often, in the course of their private life, forget their hieroglyphics as was required on the part of the orthographer to read the inscriptions on the pyramids.

A POET'S MISERIES!

Or, A FIRST APPEARANCE IN TYPE.

"Ah, here it is! I'm famous now!"

"An author, and a poet."

"It's printed in print."

"How proud I'll be to show it!"

And gentle Anna's there,

With her hair dressed up,

And she's come to see me now,

When they are advanced.

"What ails me?—I here's something wrong."

Whence comes this trouble?

"The spirit of the times has got me."

And here's a forced idea,

Which makes it all the more fit;

"We'll seek some shade, instead of shade,"

"and hell" instead of hell."

The book is out, and I am reading it;

"I've got it, and this is the third."

And now, to think!—the stupid fool!

"My book's got printed black."

Even though it's a good work,

"This morning, by the way,

That's nothing, is it?"—and rendered blind

By giving it to me."

"Then hast to learn, the 't's left out,

"Thou hast no ears," instead;

"I hope that thou art deaf."

"Who ever saw such a space

So many blunders committed."

"These gentle eyes bedazzled."

"The color of the roses is 'now,'"

"Affection" is "affectionate,"

"(The) hands are "handsome," holds

(not as well as) "delicate";

"When a friend?"—The "is gone;"

Who ever had a friend,

That rock a trifling thing could change

A friend's fate?"

"There art the same," is rendered "same;"

It really is too bad!

And here, because it is not

My lonely "ould" is "and."

They drove him blind by poking in

His eye, poor soul,

And now they've gouged it out again,

And made her crazy too.

"I'll read no more.—What shall I do?"

"I'll never dare to sing it!"

The paper's shattered, far and wide,

"I've torn it, 'cause it's bad."

"We're ever such a batch."

"I've sold such a batch."

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